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AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents

P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

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In response to the Office Action from the Examiner dated June 18, 2003, Paper No. 12, please amend the claims as follows and consider the accompanying remarks. A complete listing of all claims pending in the application is included as required under 37 CFR § 1.121.